

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 1178

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AN ACT CONCERNING LEAD SCREENING FOR CHILDREN.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 38a-535 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):
- 3 (a) For purposes of this section, "preventive pediatric care" means 4 the periodic review of a child's physical and emotional health from birth through six years of age by or under the supervision of a 5 physician. Such review shall include a medical history, complete 6 physical examination, developmental assessment, anticipatory 8 guidance, appropriate immunizations and laboratory tests in keeping 9 with prevailing medical standards.
- 10 (b) Every group health insurance policy providing coverage of the 11 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (6), (11) and (12) of section 12 38a-469 delivered, issued for delivery or renewed on or after October 1, 13 1989, or continued as defined in section 38a-531, on or after October 1, 14 1990, shall provide benefits for preventive pediatric care for any child 15 covered by the policy or contract at approximately the following age 16 intervals: Every two months from birth to six months of age, every 17 three months from nine to eighteen months of age and annually from 18 two through six years of age. Each such policy shall provide coverage 19 for elevated blood lead level testing at twelve months and at twenty-20 four months of age. Any such policy may provide that services

- rendered during a periodic review shall be covered to the extent that 21
- 22 such services are provided by or under the supervision of a single
- 23 physician during the course of one visit. Such benefits shall be subject
- 24 to any policy provisions which apply to other services covered by such
- 25 policy.
- 26 Sec. 2. (NEW) (Effective October 1, 2005) All children who are
- 27 enrolled in the HUSKY Plan, Part A and Part B shall be tested for
- 28 elevated blood lead levels at one year of age and again at two years of
- 29 age.

This act sha sections:	all take effect as follows	s and shall amend the following
Section 1	October 1, 2005	38a-535
Sec. 2	October 1, 2005	New section

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